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TO: Boston Redevelopment Authority
FROM: Edward J. Logue, Development Administrator
SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY DRAWINGS FOR CITY HALL

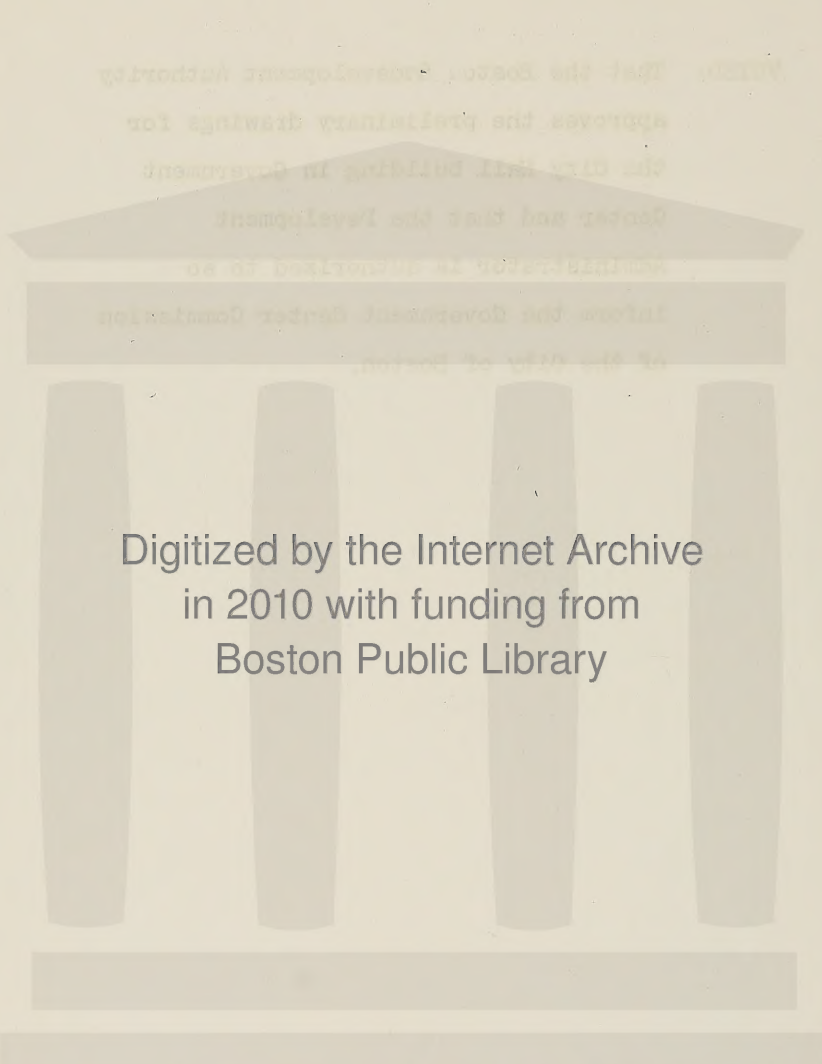
In accordance with the agreement between the Boston Redevelopment Authority and the Government Center Commission, the Commission has now submitted the preliminary drawings for the City Hall for BRA approval.

The preliminary drawings have been reviewed by the BRA's Design Advisory Committee and the BRA's design staff. The drawings conform to the illustrative design that was selected as a result of the nationwide architectural competition and that was approved by the BRA in June of 1962. The Design Advisory Committee and the BRA design staff strongly endorse the preliminary drawings.

So that work on the final drawings can proceed on schedule, it is recommended that the BRA approve the preliminary drawings.

A proposed vote of the Authority is attached.

VOTED: That the Boston Redevelopment Authority approves the preliminary drawings for the City Hall building in Government Center and that the Development Administrator is authorized to so inform the Government Center Commission of the City of Boston.



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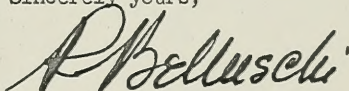
Dear Mr. Logue:

Mr. Hugh Stubbins, Chairman of the BRA Design Advisory Committee, had to go out of town and asked me to write this letter in regard to our recent visit to the office of the City Hall Architects.

The Design Advisory Committee has reviewed details and models and found them to be quite satisfactory. Many refinements and practical improvements have been introduced to make the plans both workable and esthetically satisfactory. The Architects have been most cooperative, and we were impressed by their desire to meet all practical problems to the best of their ability, yet retain the great esthetic qualities which won for them the prize.

We believe that the architects should now be given authorization to proceed with the working drawings.

Sincerely yours,



for the DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Hugh Stubbins, Chairman
Pietro Belluschi
Nelson Aldrich

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cc: Mr. Charles Hilgenhurst

